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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 25, and continuing to page 5, line 9, as follows:

The abovementioned object is achieved, in accordance with the invention, by means of a chair having a seat, a backrest, a structure supporting the seat, and a base, characterized in that said support structure has two lateral uprights and at least one projecting element provided with a substantially longitudinal guide, in that said backrest is associated with two right angleangular elements, each of said right-angleangular elements having a first end connected to said backrest, a central part connected rotatably by means of a first hinging pin to a top end of one of said uprights of said seat support structure and a second end connected to said seat by means of a second hinging pin, said seat being connected to said support structure also by means of a telescopic rod which can be shortened and lengthened in a resilient manner, and an element slidably engaged in said guide of said projecting element so that a backwards rotation of said backrest about the first hinging pins causes forwards sliding of said seat and vice versa.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 10, and continuing to page 5, line 18, as follows:

An important characteristic feature of the chair according to the invention is that the first hinging pins which rotatably connect the right angleangular elements, which are joined to the backrest, to the seat support structure are situated above the seat. This allows the abovementioned first hinging pins to be positioned such that the imaginary axis which connects them coincides with the main imaginary axis of rotation of the body of the user in the seated position. Typically, this imaginary axis of rotation connects the two hips of the user and is situated at about 60-100 mm above the plane of the seat.

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Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 18, and continuing to page 7, line 27, as follows:

The backrest 3 is integrally joined to a curved transverse band 15 which is connected to two lateral right angle angular elements 16 and 17 which are a mirror image of each other. Each right angle er angular element 16 or 17 (which could be a right angle element) has a first end 18, a central part 10-19 and a second end 22. The end 18 is integrally joined to the transverse band 15 by means of known fixing methods (not shown). The central part 19 is rotatably connected, by means of a hinging pin 20 to a top end 21 of an upright 11 or 12 of the structure 5 supporting the seat 2. The end 22 is rotatably connected by means of a hinging pin 23 to a side 24 or 25 of the seat 2.